

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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GUN FACTORY
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of private gun factories in the country;
- (b) the criteria of fixing gun manufacturing quota;
- (c) the reasons for not enhancing the manufacturing quota of the gun factory situated at Jodhpur, Rajasthan; and
- (d) the time by which the quota of said gun factory is likely to be enhanced?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY)

- (a): There are 97 private gun manufacturing factories in the country for which licences have been issued by the Central Government.
- (b): The gun manufacturing quota is fixed on the basis of various factors such as recommendation of the concerned State Government, infrastructure/capacity of the firm, its economic viability and verification of antecedents.
- (c)&(d): Decision can be taken only after the requisite reports have been received.